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# The ADVOCATE

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## Campus alcohol incidents rise

By AMY DALRYMPLE

Editor

While alcohol incidents are on the rise this year, fewer on-campus residents have been cited with alcohol violations.

Campus Security Director Mike Pehler said between Aug. 1 and Nov. 11 officers dealt with 77 alcohol situations, resulting in 52 arrests.

That's up from last year's numbers of 43 alcohol situations resulting in 30 arrests

from the same time frame.

Pehler said he's forwarded those figures to campus administrators.

But Michael Wilde, housing area director, said the total number of on-campus residents involved in alcohol violations is about 100 fewer than last fall.

However, Wilde said he's aware of more alcohol incidents occurring in the Underground and other places on campus.

Julie Poseley, addictions counselor for Hendrix Health Center, said she thinks on-campus alcohol problems seem escalated from last year.

"It's hard to say if there's just more reporting," Poseley said.

But Wilde said resident assistants aren't doing anything different regarding alcohol violations.

Many MSUM students Poseley meets with would be considered high-risk drinkers, she said.

"It's beyond kicking back and having a few beers," Poseley said. "They're drinking enough to put them in really high-risk situations."

Alcohol violations are campus-wide and not specific to a certain area, Pehler said.

Although MSUM added a new residence hall to campus, Wilde said Neumaier residents haven't added significantly to alcohol violations.

However more alcohol situations have been reported from

the CMU with people drinking before they go to the Underground on Thursday nights, Poseley said.

But Underground patrons include area high school and other college students, she added.

"We are supposed to be an alcohol-free campus," Poseley said. "We don't want to be sending a double message to students."

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## Female martial arts student belts barriers

By BRETT ORTLER

Staff Writer

She earned a third-degree black belt in tae kwon do, survived cancer, trained under some of the best martial artists in the world and otherwise excelled in male dominated arena-martial arts.

Now, MSUM junior Laura Hudson has just returned from South Korea with two more black belts under her, well, belt.

Hudson, an international business major, was in South Korea Oct. 8 through 18, traveling with 12 students and teachers as part of a martial arts trip organized by Master Jim Grimestad of Red River Traditional tae kwon do. Grimestad, a sixth-degree black belt, took the group of black belts to South Korea to train under several masters as well as test in the martial arts of Hapkido and Kumdo.

"I wanted to introduce those that are good and serious to those that are highly regarded within the art," Grimestad said.

During her 11-day stay, Hudson and the rest of her peers trained under Grand Master Sang Ki Lee, Master Zhuang and Grand Master Moo Yung Yun; the three men have 32 black belts between them, often within two disciplines.

"It was a great honor to train and test under these men," Hudson said. "They are truly great martial artists."

When it came to testing, Hudson did well, passing both belt tests on the first attempt. Grimestad said, "She did fantastic. It's pretty rare to pass both belt tests on the first try."

Yet, to Hudson, the arts themselves aren't concerned merely with belt colors or rankings.

"Martial arts have taught me so many things. They have saved my life a few times and I think that everybody should give it a try," she said. "If you find the right martial art and the right instructor for you, it can really enhance your life."

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MSUM junior Laura Hudson recently returned from a trip to South Korea, where she studied under accomplished martial artists.

## Building permit delays Hendrix move to January

By TERI FINNEMAN

News Editor

Construction of the transition building to house Hendrix Health Center is 52 days behind schedule after administrators experienced difficulties obtaining a building permit.

David Crockett, vice president for administrative affairs, said the Minnesota Department of Administration had 30 days to review MSUM's proposition and did not look at it until the 29th day.

"That's not unique to us. That's happening statewide, particularly at this time of year," Crockett said. "They're an under-staffed department and they're not able to turn out the plan reviews as expeditiously as we have become accustomed to in the past."

As a result, Crockett said timelines had to change, including construction for the roof of Owens and the maintenance building. Crockett said the Department of Administration provides building permits for all commercial projects in Minnesota.

"Unless something happens in the economy and they get some additional employees, we are now aware that it's going to take additional time to get a building permit before we can start a construction project on campus," Crockett said. "It's just an economic, budgetary issue for the state. But the building will be done and people will get moved in."

Todd Stugelmayer, physical plant manager, said sidewalks and continuing construction are on the agenda for the transition building this week. He said another reason for the delay in work had to do with changes requested by the Department of Administration.

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## Philosophy professors lead Iraq invasion debate

By DANIELLE RIEBE

Staff Writer

Few issues in modern politics spark as much debate as a possible U.S. invasion of Iraq. That issue was the question that was the center for discussion at the Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead on Monday night.

Some definite tension could be sensed in the room as individuals offered commentary for each side.

Rebecca Moore, political science professor at Concordia College, spoke from the pro-invasion perspective. Philip Mouch, from MSUM's philosophy department, discussed why a U.S. invasion of Iraq may not be beneficial. Moderating the

debate was David Myers, MSUM philosophy professor.

Although the view that each professor presented may not have been in sync with their own personal opinions on the U.S. vs. Iraq issue, each professor spoke for 15 minutes in support of their assigned angle.

"This is not going to be the academic equivalent of body slamming," Myers said. "I chose them [Moore and Mouch] because they can articulate an informed position on the event."

Myers said the main objectives of the evening's forum were to present opposing answers to the question, give others an opportunity to ask questions and

□ IRAQ, back page



PETE MONTECUOLLO/PHOTO EDITOR

Philip Mouch (left), David Myers and Rebecca Moore answer questions during Monday's "Should we invade Iraq?" debate at the Hjemkomst Center, Moorhead.



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MSUM Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m., Gaede Auditorium, free.

**11.22, 11.24**  
New Music/New Media Festival, 8 p.m., Fox Recital Hall, free.

**11.26**  
Marcoux Corner, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., CMU main lounge, free.

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**11.15** Liquor law violation and trespass violation in CMU

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**11.15** Two liquor law violations outside Grantham

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**Meeting set for MSUM Kenya trip**

An informational meeting for a MSUM study tour of Kenya next summer will be at 6 p.m. Monday in CMU 227.

The tour will be May 17 through June 5 and will include a visit to Mount Kenya, a weekend home stay with host families in a farming village and a two-night stay in Mombasa.

The approximate cost of \$3,950 includes airfare, ground transportation, accommodation, all program-related activities and some meals.

For more information, contact Bruce Roberts at 236-2043 or visit [www.mnstate.edu/robertsb/kenya](http://www.mnstate.edu/robertsb/kenya).

**Penny war begins**

Volunteer Visions is sponsoring penny wars to raise money for the Roger Maris Cancer Center. Sign-up sheets for teams of six to 12 are available in CMU 225.

Team buckets are located in the Rec and Outing Center. The winning team earns free Krispy Kreme donuts.

**Lecturer speaks about Colombia**

John Hall, an MSUM languages professor, will speak about his missionary experiences in South America at 7 p.m. today (Thursday) in CMU 203. Contact Hall at 236-2916 for more information.

**Audubon society discusses insects**

The Audubon November program will be at 6:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at Concordia's Science Building Room 212.

The speaker, Don Carey, will bring a collection of live and mounted insects and spiders to explain and illustrate the importance of them in the animal world.

Carey will show a live tarantula, scorpion, millipede and snake. The program is free and open to the public.

**Education speaker set for Monday**

The Education Minnesota Student Program has invited Nancy Jordheim, assistant superintendent for human resources with Fargo Public Schools, to speak from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday in CMU 205.

Jordheim will discuss interviewing tips and how to get hired for teaching jobs.

EMSP invites the campus community to attend a social time from 4 to 4:30 p.m.

**Payroll makes holiday changes**

Due to the Nov. 29 fall semester break, students may either pick up their checks Wednesday at the CMU main office, Dec. 2 in the business office or leave a self-addressed, stamped envelope at the CMU main office.

**Speech members place at meet**

MSUM hosted two tournaments for the Valley Forensics League last weekend.

At the first tournament, Jennifer Hasbargen placed fourth in program oral interpretation. Amanda Calsbeck took third in impromptu speaking. Jennifer Hoepfner earned sixth in informative speaking and first in persuasive speaking.

In the second tournament, Hasbargen placed sixth in dramatic interpretation and fifth in program oral interpretation. Valerie Waldock earned third in after-dinner speaking and second in extemporaneous speaking.

**Speech event features students**

The Association for Communication Enrichment is sponsoring a public speaking showcase at 7 p.m. Dec. 5.

Students who excel in their Speech 100 course have the chance to compete and win a prize.

The event will take place in the Comstock Memorial Union.

Public speaking showcases are held twice yearly.

**Panel planned**

A panel of students from the former Soviet Union will talk about their perspectives at 12:30 today (Thursday) in CMU 200C.

**Dragons' Den**  
11.21- 11.27

Organizational events on campus

**11.21**  
Sigma Tau Delta, 5 p.m., Weld Library.


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"Public office is the last refuge of a scoundrel."

-Boise Penrose, author



**Pi Sigma Epsilon seeks blankets**

Pi Sigma Epsilon is collecting blankets for those in need in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

There will be a drop site from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in CMU 225 and from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 7 at the West Acres food court.

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"Like she's not getting drunk with her ankles in the air every weekend."

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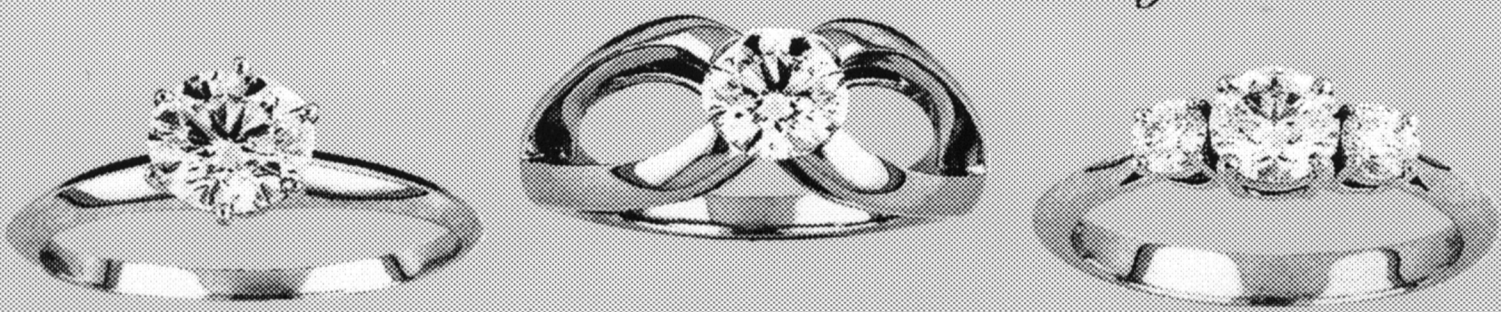
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# Chef rates mashed potatoes No. 1 among students

By GLENN TORNELL

Special to The Advocate

College students, the theory goes, are notoriously noxious eaters.

Their diets, practically void of the "five-a-day" daily requirements of vegetables and fruits, are recipes for heart disease, strokes, diabetes, cancer and chronic obesity.

Some social scientists say those eating habits are a casualty of a generation raised on fast foods, microwave meals and processed snacks.

Are college students literally eating themselves to death?

Dave Lilja, executive chef at MSUM food service, oversees the preparation of more than 9,000 residential and 9,000 retail meals a week at the university kitchen.

So, Chef Lilja, what's the most preferred food on campus?

"Mashed potatoes with gravy," he says without hesitation. "It's by far the most consistently popular item we have on the menu."

Although the food service

provides a smorgasbord of nutritious fare ranging from salads and casseroles to pizza and stir-fry, some students, he said, just eat mashed potatoes for a meal. "And if there isn't any gravy, they might top them with barbeque sauce or ketchup."

That's why he serves a variety of mashed potato dishes, including steamed potatoes whipped with milk and butter, pesto whipped fresh potatoes, cheddar and bacon, roasted garlic and parsley, and jalapeno cheddar mashed potatoes.

OK, then. The second most popular item on your menu must be pizza, maybe burgers?

"Nope," he said. "It's soup." Tomato or chicken noodle, of course?

"Nope," he said. "It's our creamy Minnesota wild rice soup, followed closely by our cream of broccoli and cheese."

Even though the temperature in MSUM's Kise Commons dining room hit nearly 95 degrees when school started in August, more than half of his 600 residential customers ate

soup for lunch that day.

"Go figure," he said.

As a result, he also dishes up a variety of soups, all home-made and cooked from scratch. They range from beer cheese and chicken noodle to tomato/basil/cheddar, chicken tortilla, vegetarian vegetable and creamy potato.

"We do serve French onion soup sometimes, but I think it would be more popular if we had the equipment to make individual servings, meaning topping each bowl with melted cheese and herbed croutons."

"Nevertheless, Lilja said, he serves more than 600 servings of soup a day in his residential and retail campus outlets, more than 1,000 on his soup and bread bar days.

That's not to say that pizza, burgers and hot dogs aren't popular, Lilja said. "They are. Last week we served more than 2,500 slices of pizza. We sell tons of pop and our ice cream machine is wiped out every day. But when you look at the big picture, nothing beats mashed potatoes and soup."

☐ **FOOD**, back page



DAREL PAULSON/SPECIAL TO THE ADVOCATE

Steve Pletta, general manager of MSUM's food service (left) and Dave Lilja, executive chef with MSUM food service display soup and mashed potatoes — two popular food items among students.

## PSEO students take the double advantage

By MANDY STOCKSTAD

Staff Writer

There are about 50 to 75 students on campus every year that technically are still in high school. Through the Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program, these students are gaining the upper hand in education.

### The Program

The PSEO Program, implemented in 1985 by the Minnesota Legislature, gives students a chance to further their education in a faster and more efficient way. PSEO provides the opportunity to complete high school requirements through college courses by allowing a student in high school to enroll for classes at any participating Minnesota college.

PSEO students may take any courses that can be counted as both high school and college credit. However, they can only register for college courses on a space-available basis. All regularly registered students get first opportunity to register for classes. Some of the perks PSEO students receive include having their tuition, activity fees and required books paid for. They

may also participate in extracurricular activities or athletics at either their high school or the college.

Participants are encouraged to thoroughly think through their decision before becoming a PSEO student. Not only are academic requirements high, but the character requirements are high as well.

Students must be socially, mentally and emotionally mature, motivated, have a willingness to work hard and a desire to explore new opportunities. Janet Haak Aarness, director of academic support programs, said PSEO is great for students that "run out of challenges in their high school." It's a way to get a "jump start on their liberal studies," said Aarness. Even some of the local professors on campus are giving kudos to the PSEO program.

### PSEO at MSUM

Lin Enger, MSUM English professor, said he thinks the PSEO program is the next appropriate step for those who don't feel challenged at their high schools.

"The best thing about the program, it seems to me, is that it allows high school students who have exhausted

their academic resources to move on to the next level. And why not? Why should they mark time while waiting for graduation? I've known many students who were more than ready for college — emotionally as well as intellectually — at age 16 or 17, and because of the PSEO program they were able to direct their youthful enthusiasm toward meaningful growth and academic accomplishment," Enger said. MSUM averages about 50 PSEO students a year, a decline from the approximate 150 students they received a couple of years ago. This recession is due to many factors.

Even though the Minnesota Legislature implemented the PSEO program, it also prohibits colleges from promoting it. The colleges may go to schools and give students and counselors background material and information on PSEO, however, they are prohibited to do anything more.

Aarness said, "High schools lose money when their students participate in the PSEO program," which is why high schools have been striving to provide more challenging classes to their students.

Even though MSUM's enrollment in the PSEO program has dropped they don't plan to do anything about it. Aarness said MSUM is conscientious of the schools' problems and hopes to "be a good neighbor to those schools."

### Student reactions

For some, the PSEO program was the perfect solution to their academic hunger. Risa Carlsen is 17 years old, a senior in high school and a sophomore at MSUM.

Through PSEO, Carlsen is earning college credit early and escaping the confinements of high school life. "I had a hard time dealing with the immaturity and irresponsibility of high school students. So I think that I am getting more out of this experience than what I would have gotten by finishing school at

high school," Carlsen said. Would Carlsen recommend PSEO to other students? "I definitely do not regret my decision to start college early. It was the best decision for me. I would recommend this program to others, but it is not best for all high school students," said Carlsen.

Samantha Bohn, a senior at Moorhead Senior High, currently takes one class at MSUM and one class at Concordia. Bohn said she saves roughly \$3,500 this year by participating in PSEO. Bohn said she is impressed with the friendly atmosphere that MSUM offers.

"Actually I was extremely surprised to realize that it's much easier to fit in at a college than it is in high school. In high school, girls are extremely petty and manipulative almost ... and in college immediately I felt comfortable and accepted. In one of my classes there is a girl who sits next to me everyday. She even initiated saying hi to me. I enjoy and look forward to going to my college classes, and I actually am disappointed when time comes to venture to the high school. So yah, college is a much better atmosphere in so many ways."

However, Bohn and Carlsen agree on one thing: PSEO isn't always a piece of cake.

"It is more work involved as far as homework and studying goes," Carlsen said.

Being in PSEO hit Bohn in a different way.

"I definitely have missed out on a lot. I rarely ever see my friends from high school anymore. But, a better way of looking at it is that I'm a step ahead of most people," she said. "I will feel more comfortable starting college full-time next year. So, I've missed out on a lot. I'll come to the high school some days and there would be some big catastrophe that I'm totally clueless to, but sometimes that's not a bad thing."

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Risa Carlsen is one of many Post-Secondary Enrollment Options students attending MSUM.



## Students take turn at chalkboard

### 200 MSUM undergrads gain hands-on teaching experience at local schools

By TERI FINNEMAN

News Editor

After years of listening to lectures, sitting behind desks and cramming for tests, nearly 200 MSUM students are switching roles this semester and learning what being a teacher is all about.

#### Junior high teaching

MSUM senior Kyle Waterworth said he's enjoyed student teaching eighth graders at Moorhead Junior High this fall.

"I chose to become a teacher because I wanted to be involved with kids and I don't believe there's any other profession that deals with kids more than you would a teacher," Waterworth said.

He said he teaches five sections of world history each day, so student teaching is a full-time job, on top of his evening/weekend job.

"You're basically doing everything a regular teacher would, but you're not getting paid," Waterworth said. "But it's where you learn everything."

Waterworth began his college career as a graphic communications major, but said he was inspired to change majors due to MSUM's history faculty.

Before he started student teaching, Waterworth said he had to do a 30-hour observation during his sophomore year and a 60-hour practicum during his senior year.

Although he teaches the same lecture five times a day, Altringer said his school day isn't boring.

"Each class has personalities that are so different. The second period I refer to as my guinea pig class," Waterworth said. "From there, I add things and talk about different things."

Waterworth said he was nervous about teaching because he didn't know what to expect or if he'd be accepted.

"It's been awhile since I've been in junior high, so I didn't know what the kids were like," Waterworth said. "However, my history and education classes prepared me fine. Once you start, you're completely fine."

He said it's important to keep students' ages in mind, and he tries to keep his eighth graders' attention by doing in-class activities. Waterworth said he thinks it's best to student teach in the fall.

"You get to start the year with the kids," Waterworth said. "You don't just pop up in the year. It's easier to establish a rapport."

Waterworth said he also thinks it's important to attend teacher workshops and help with regular duties before the school year starts.

"Just getting involved and being there every day, so you get to know your students and take part in all of the extra things teachers do, like parent-teacher conferences," Waterworth said.

"That way, you get a feel for the job as a whole instead of just certain parts of it."

#### High school teaching

MSUM senior Andy Altringer teaches western civilization to sophomores at Fargo South. Altringer stresses the importance of time management while student teaching.

"You need to prepare and allow for a lot of effort and time put into your lessons," Altringer said. "You're spending eight or nine hours in school and not getting paid for it. You try to make student teaching your priority."

He said he also works 30 hours per week to pay his bills, which makes for late nights and early mornings to focus on lesson plans.

Altringer said he decided to major in history after a good experience with MSUM's faculty.

"I had a professor at MSUM who really made history exciting for me and I just wanted to make sure that other people saw history the same way," Altringer said. "It's always full of twists and turns. I get to share this knowledge and see them progress from that."

Altringer said he chose secondary education because he wanted to have his students learn to become historians, as well as expand his own learning.

With the close age range between students and teacher, Altringer said he's caught himself being more casual than he wants.

"You're showing you're not a boring, articulate, all-about-business, all-about-the-book [teacher]," Altringer said. "I tend to be connected to their lifestyle, but there is a line you have to draw. It's Mr. Altringer."

He said it's important to become involved with other school activities, but he hasn't been able to be as involved as he'd like, due to his hectic schedule.

"I try to get to as much as possible. It's important to get your face out there," Altringer said. "It gives [students] a different perspective of



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Master of fine arts student Crystal Jensen teaches English 101 at MSUM as part of her teaching assistantship and said the experience has been invaluable.

their teacher and a little more respect, I think."

#### College teaching

Crystal Jensen, a second-year master of fine arts student at MSUM, works as a teaching assistant and teaches one section of English 101 at MSUM.

"The most common way people with my degree supplement their life as a writer is by teaching," Jensen said. "I was excited about the opportunity to try and help others be successful writers or at least demystify the process of writing so it might become more accessible to them."

Jensen said her experience has been invaluable and thinks being a student and teacher at the same time makes both sides clearer.

"I know what it feels like to be on both sides of the desk," Jensen said. "I think it makes me a more attentive student and a more empathetic teacher."

She said she was concerned that she would have trouble explaining concepts clearly, be boring or babble. But overall, she said she was mainly excited when she started teaching.

"I was hopeful that I would find a way to have my students feel as if I was there to help them, not just judge and grade them," Jensen said.

To prepare for teaching, she took a required class that assists with planning teachers' first classes. When TAs begin, they have a model to work from and texts already selected.

"That gave me more time to concentrate more on how I would teach rather than what I would teach," Jensen said. "After the first semester of teaching, we're able to choose our own texts and make any changes based on our first semester experience."

Jensen's teaching assistantship is a two-year program, and she receives a tuition break. She said it's important to realize the support available when teaching.

"Any time you might have a question, a sticky situation or a problem of any sort in the classroom, know that there is someone on staff who has encountered a similar situation," Jensen said. "There are lots of resources available and no reason not to tap them."

#### Getting started

Darlene Braun of MSUM's field experience office said 171 undergraduates are student teaching this semester.

"Elementary education and special ed are really popular, but as far as secondary, we have a lot of social studies [majors]," Braun said.

She said students are placed in schools in Fargo-Moorhead and surrounding areas, and they usually receive 10 credits for student teaching.

"Then we have the Urban Teacher Education Partnership in St. Paul so, if students want to do their student teaching in an urban [environment], they can go there," Braun said. "It's a really different experience."

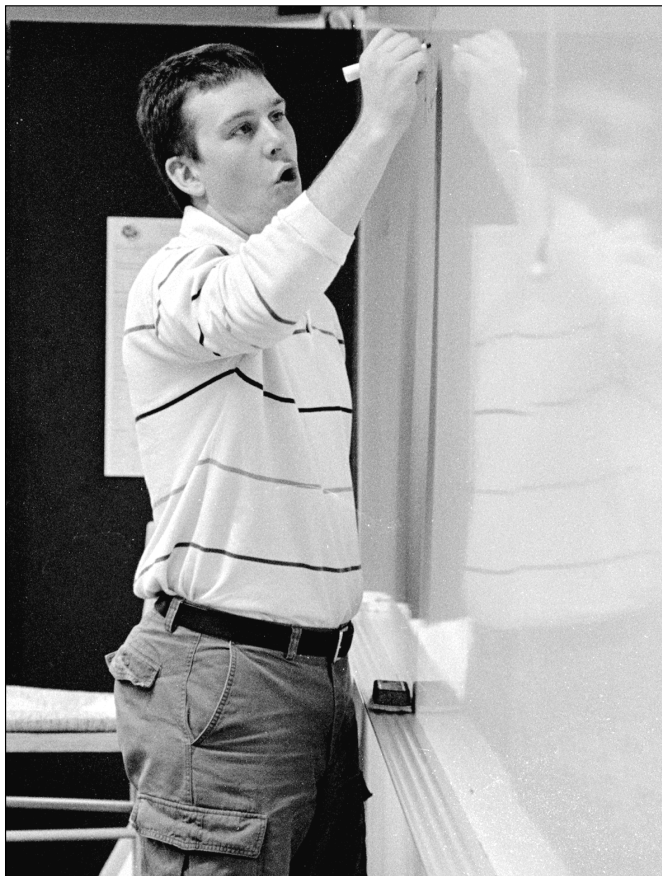
She said future teachers choose their area of study and then take foundation classes through the field experience office.

"They're the core classes that every teacher needs to take: education psychology, social foundations ... then they have the classes that are mandated by [their major]," Braun said. "Then they need to apply for student teaching."

Braun said students may now apply online for student teaching placement at [www.mnstate.edu/fieldexp](http://www.mnstate.edu/fieldexp). Once a placement is made, Braun said a university supervisor is assigned to help the new student teacher.

"If they have any problems, they contact the supervisor or us," Braun said. "We keep pretty close contact with them."

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MSUM senior Andy Altringer teaches western civilization at Fargo South to complete his student teaching requirement.



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# Alcohol linked to vanishing Minnesotans

Four young Minnesotans have vanished within the past three weeks, leaving investigators and family members mystified by their disappearances.

Three of the young people were college students in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Michael Noll, a 22-year-old Rochester, Minn., native, disappeared Nov. 6 after leaving an Eau Clair, Wis., bar, where the student attended the University of Wisconsin. Twenty-one-year-old Christopher Jenkins, a student at the University of Minnesota, vanished after leaving a downtown Minneapolis bar on Nov. 1.

Twenty-year-old St. John's University student Joshua Guimond was last seen leaving a Collegeville, Minn., party on Nov. 9. The fourth disappearance, Erika Dalquist, occurred Oct. 30 after she left a Brainerd, Minn., bar.

While disappearances aren't uncommon, the fact that four young adults disappeared within two weeks of each other is unusual.

Most alarming of all is that the disappearances happened after the students left a bar or party, where each person is presumed to have consumed alcohol.

A National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism survey found that alcohol contributes to the unintentional deaths each year of about 1,400 college students ages 18-24. Although 90 percent of missing adult cases returns home safely, in 2001 the St. Paul police counted 911 missing adults in Minnesota.

MSUM's director of security, Mike Pehler, sent a warning Monday to all students about the disappearances, offering suggestions for college students to follow.

The notice's suggestions included avoiding shortcuts, not attaching keys to student IDs, walking in groups and programming the police, family and friends into telephone speed dials.

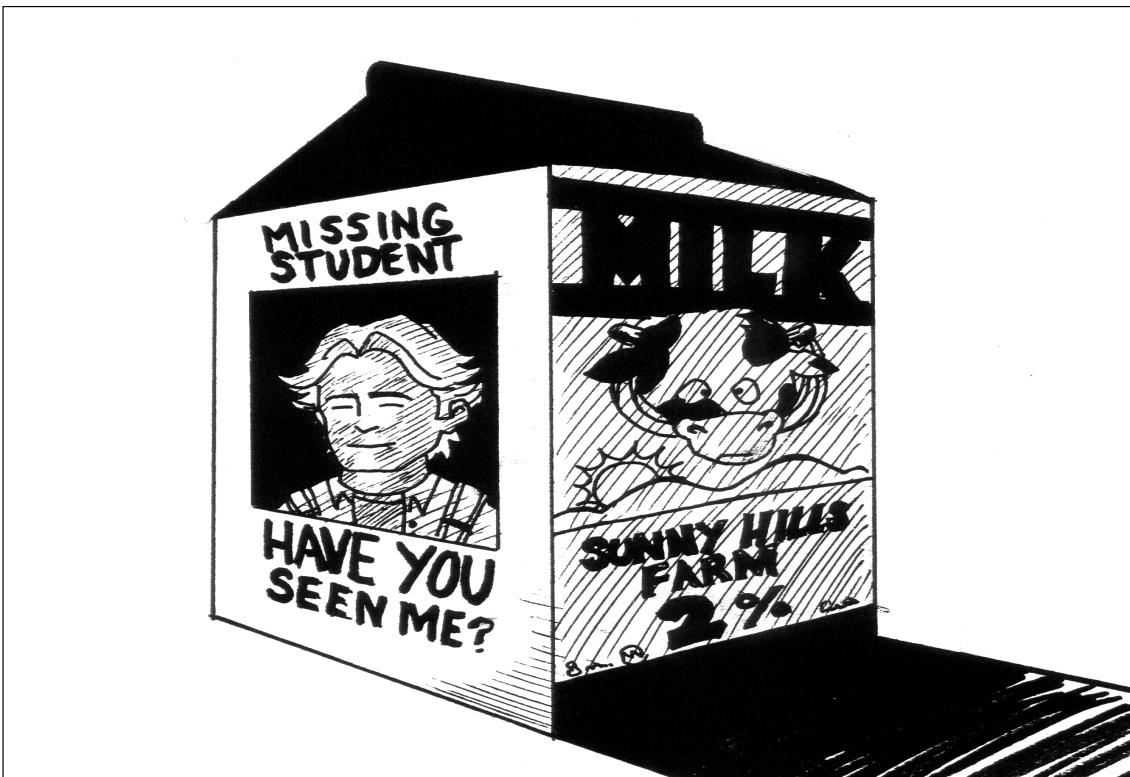
While the suggestions hold their own merit for increasing awareness of crime prevention techniques on campus, the underlying safety concern is college students' excessive drinking habits.

Fortunately no MSUM students have disappeared. That, however, doesn't mean the campus should stop educating students, faculty and staff about alcohol awareness.

The university has formed an alcohol task force to help tackle the issues affecting the campus community. A taxicab has also been proposed to offer discounted rides to students.

MSUM's campus security offers escorts to walk with students across campus. If disappearances increase across the state, the university may need to propose a service to walk students back from parties just outside campus, possibly helping prevent disappearances from happening at MSUM.

The opinions expressed in The Advocate are not necessarily those of the college administration, faculty or student body. The Advocate encourages letters to the editor and Your Turn submissions. They should be typed and must include the writer's name, signature, address, phone number, year in school or occupation and any affiliations. Letters are due by 5 p.m. Monday and can be sent to MSUM Box 130, dropped off in The Advocate office or e-mailed to [advocate@mnstate.edu](mailto:advocate@mnstate.edu).



# Thanks for no death threats

Contrary to popular belief, I am not an angry wench all of the time. In fact, I am actually happy with many things.



**JENEL  
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Advocate columnist

*"In fact, I am actually happy with many things."*

And, since we are in the midst of the forgotten holiday season of Thanksgiving, I feel it is only appropriate to reflect upon those things for which I am happy and thankful. As I sit and write this, we are not engaged in World War III. G.W. is keeping his bomb-dropping hobby to a minimum and no countries seem to be currently lobbying any nukes at us. Granted, things may change between now and publication but I like to think positively at this time of year ... and be thankful.

Even though the Republicans have won control of everything within the national government, the Democrats really aren't that far behind. This is something I am also thankful for, not because I like either group but because this means that both groups will

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have a little harder time of screwing things up too badly.

On a local level, MSUM was kind enough to provide the students with free bus transportation. Not only does this save me more than \$50 each month, which as a poor starving college student is always appreciated, but it also has the possibility of decreasing the incessant whining I hear about there being no place to park.

Folks, I'm sorry, but there really is not a parking problem here. You are all just lazy. I have never in any of my years here had to park more than two blocks from some part of campus. That's less distance than I used to walk to school in my elementary days regardless of the temperature outside. Just to make it pertinent to the rest of the column, I am grateful for the fact that I have never been unable to find some-

place to park around campus. Now if more of you would take advantage of the free bus ...

I am thankful to be alive. With my not-so-politically-correct opinions, I have received a bit of "not-liking" mail (hate is such a strong word, reserved for such members of government as the ever frightening Donald Rumsfeld).

I am glad that none of these have actually contained threats to my physical being and that none of my writings have resulted in harm to my physical being. I am thankful that you all seem to be mostly civil creatures.

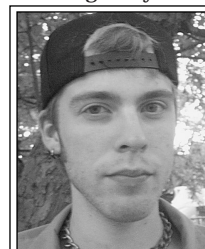
With that, I am thankful that I receive mail and comments on my columns: good, bad and otherwise. It shows that people do actually have reading and thinking skills. I am also thankful that, at this juncture, the good and the bad responses are pretty equal in number. The thoughtful affirmations have been a pleasure to read and the criticisms have given me things to think about (though no one has changed my stance on any of those issues yet).

So in this season of Thanksgiving, why don't you reflect on those things for which you are thankful? Oh, and, enjoy the time off from class. That's also a reason to be thankful.

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# Cobain diaries go a bit too far

Let's play make-believe for a moment in time and picture the following in your head. You are the Anti-Christ and you're married to Kurt Cobain. He locks himself in a room and blows his brains out. It's a bit far-fetched but do what you can.



**KELLY  
HAGEN**

Opinion Editor

*"You are the Anti-Christ and you're married to Kurt Cobain."*

Eight years after the fact, you're not quite as rich as you once were, due to a floundering music and acting career. What do you do to get out of that hole (pun intended)?

If your answer is to whore out the memory of your dearly-departed husband and offer up his personal journals to the highest-bidding publishing company, you just might be Courtney Love. If you are, in fact, Courtney Love and you're reading this column, I implore you not to sue me or order one of your many goons to

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Admittedly, I'm a bit of a Nirvana fan, myself. OK, replace 'bit of' with 'freakishly obsessed,' and get rid of the second 'a,' because that just screws up the sentence.

bully me around. I've got enough problems.

In case you haven't heard, just in time for Christmas season, you can now buy a collection of samples from journals that Nirvana frontman Kurt Cobain collected during his all-too-short lifetime for \$20 or less at your local Barnes & Noble.

Admittedly, I'm a bit of a Nirvana fan, myself. OK, replace "bit of" with "freakishly obsessed," and get rid of the second "a," because that just screws up the sentence. So, as a fan, I'm conflicted about buying Cobain's journals. Sure, I want to own the book. I mean, these are the raw thoughts of the most fascinating figure in popular culture this side of John Lennon.

Why wouldn't a guy who has

enough Nirvana T-shirts to clothe my entire 1996 graduating class of Wilton High School, not want to peer deeply into the thought processes of his No. 2 musical hero? To quell your curiosity, there were 16 in my class, Paul Westerberg stands firmly at No.1 and graduating in '96 would put me at a healthy 24 years of age. Are there any other personal details about my life you'd like to know?

That segues nicely into my reasons not to buy Cobain's journals. Journals are supposed to be personal, aren't they? I know I really wouldn't want my personal journals to be published after I'm dead. I don't think you'd really want to read them, either, with my weekly recaps of the funniest moments on "Friends" and alarm more than a few people with the fact that every entry ends with the phrase, "...and so the prophecies have come to pass."

Perhaps our obsession with celebrities has gone too far. It's one thing to go out and buy Nirvana's albums, filled with songs Kurt meant to share with the public. Please, though, let's leave his private thoughts alone.

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# Conversations not meant for strangers

## You might want to think twice before sharing some attitudes in public

I have nothing against meeting new people or finding myself in a conversation with somebody I've



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Advocate columnist  
"People, this is BAD, BAD conversation to relate to someone you do not know!"

That said, what exactly is the story with these people that – lovely examples of the human race or not – enter into brainstem-snapping discussions that leave you with information you wouldn't have a

clue what to do with? Sometimes they're well meaning, but often, like the Verizon wireless "Can you hear me now?" guy, they begin endearingly enough, but morph into something wholly more homicide inducing after a few minutes.

This can cover everything from really inappropriate chatter about the weather to cover up for the fact that you have absolutely nothing else in common, to excruciatingly personal terrain that might be keen to kick around with your friends, but honestly doesn't impress the guy waiting for his chicken Kiev at the table next to yours. Just so we're on the same page, I present a perfect example of a conversation not to have with a stranger:

Some time back, I was working in a small record store in a different city when the front door swung open and a rather odd looking fellow strode in (not that I'm trying to make a statement against people who look different,

“Then, suddenly, with no disclaimer or segue, he began describing, in graphic detail, the process by which he had to scrub up the peep booths at the rear of the store.

but in addition to the fact that he looked as if he hadn't bathed in a month, his lips were bloody and he continually licked at them – get my drift?).

He approached the counter and began quizzing me about what records we might have in stock by the original line-up of Judas Priest (again, not picking on any fans of said group, however this point will become important later in the narrative).

I informed the raw-lipped gentleman that we didn't really have

any albums of theirs in the store, as their popularity level those days didn't necessitate that we keep them readily on hand. I then began looking through the catalog to determine what discs we could order, when the conversation took a horrid, tragic turn.

He-of-natural-body-odors asked me if I had heard whether or not Rob Halford – former lead singer of the band already mentioned – was gay. I said I believed he was. I would have been tickled to have the back-and-forth end right there, but he continued to tell me why he was asking.

He informed me that he had been lately employed in a janitorial position at a local adult "book store" and that one night, whilst sweeping the floor, had come across a magazine specializing in man-on-man erotica, with a blurb on the cover announcing Mr. Halford's trek out of the closet.

Then, suddenly, with no disclaimer or segue, he began describing, in graphic detail, the

process by which he had to scrub up the peep booths at the rear of the store. Also, forgetting that his favorite band had a homosexual front man, entered into a diatribe against the "fags" that used the booths and painted the walls and floor with something other than varnish, leaving him to mop it up.

People, this is a BAD, BAD conversation to relate to someone you do not know! For one, under what assumption would you be working that anyone you bump into is likewise of a bigoted nature? And two, I prefer to hear bodily fluid tales from people I'm on a first-name basis with.

And while I'm not writing this under the presumption that most of you are janitors at porn shops, I use it to illustrate a point – for the love of all that's good in the world, keep in mind that it's hard to get to know new people when you're scaring the hell out of them.

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# It takes all types of personalities to make Alicia go 'round

The generally accepted notion of personality says that each person has one. Everyone has certain



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Copy Editor

"While I don't have a multiple personality disorder, I do have multiple personalities."

I'm no different. While I don't have a multiple personality disorder, I do have multiple personalities. While there are many different Alicias, three of them pretty much rule their shared body.

The first Alicia is very responsible. She pays her bills before they're due, throws out the milk before it expires and sets her alarm early – just in case some-

thing comes up that needs to be done before she leaves. She always attends class, takes notes and does her homework immediately upon returning home.

She subscribes to Time because it might give her an edge in class. She meticulously schedules her day – writing down every appointment and arriving exactly seven minutes early for each one.

She wears black jeans, dress shoes, solid tops and, when the weather is cool, a tasteful black sweater. She drinks Sprite, milk and apple juice.

She eats sandwiches – turkey or ham – with American cheese and pickles. She goes to bed every night by 11. Responsible Alicia doesn't make appearances often.

The second Alicia is bizarre. She pays her bills, but writes out the check in crayon and puts "sexual favors" on the memo line.

When her milk goes past the expiration date, she drinks it for money or during a game of Truth or Dare. She sets her alarm for about when she needs to get up, but she sets it for 7:37 instead of 7:30, just because she thinks it's funnier.

She subscribes to Weekly World

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News. She attends classes most of the time, but spends it making jokes about the subject matter, the professor's shoes or the girl in the second row whose thigh is sticking out from under her low-rise jeans.

She writes down appointments and follows a rough schedule, but she's more likely to turn up to them wearing a "Buffy" T-shirt than a nice top. She waited in line at the opening of the Krispy Kreme for nine hours and bought 10 dozen doughnuts.

She drinks strawberry Yo-J with a twist of lemon. She goes to bed promptly by 6 a.m. every morning. Bizarre Alicia makes appearances several times every day.

The third Alicia is a total slack-

er. She doesn't pay her bills. When her milk passes expiration, she just leaves it in the fridge until someone else throws it away.

She never sets her alarm and rarely attends classes. When she does show up to class, work or an appointment, she's more likely to fall asleep than pay attention to what's happening.

She never writes down appointments and hardly ever has any idea where she is supposed to be or when she ought to be there.

She wears whatever is handy, not wanting to extend the effort to choose an outfit and so usually ends up wearing different colored socks, neither of which matches any other part of her clothing.

She eats whatever is readily available, simply to avoid the effort of making something herself. She doesn't have a specific time she goes to bed, as she spends most of her days and nights either sleeping or watching television.

She subscribes to TV Guide, but never gets around to actually reading it. Slacker Alicia makes appearances on a semi-regular basis, mostly in the evenings or

early mornings.

Within Alicia there are, of course, shades of each individual facet. Sometimes Bizarre Alicia makes appearances, but in a slightly more subdued version. Responsible Alicia sometimes appears in a less uptight version. Slacker Alicia occasionally does something.

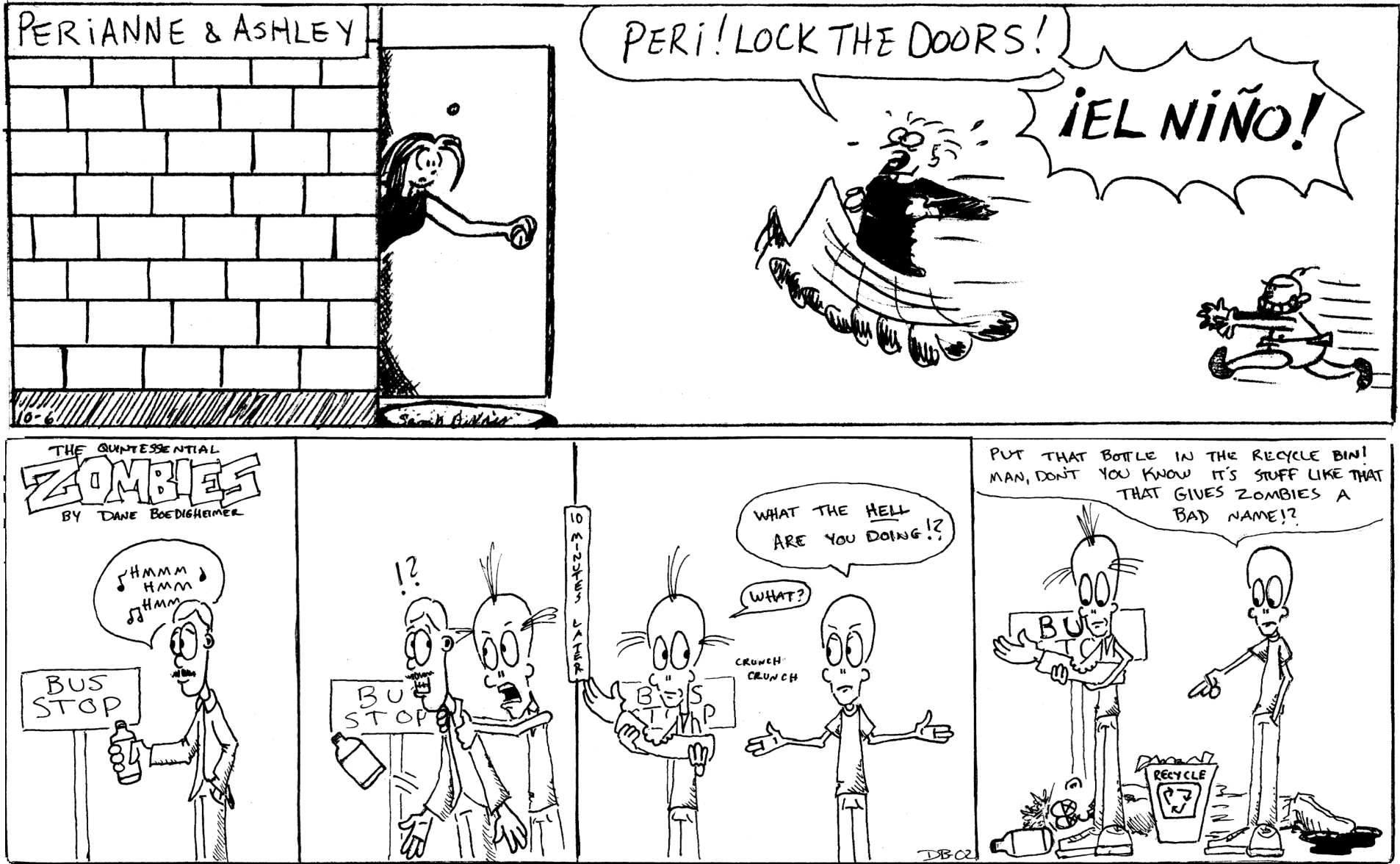
No matter which Alicia people see on the outside, Responsible Alicia waits, just under the surface, ready to pop up if needed, either to smooth things over or keep track of appointments.

Bizarre Alicia waits in the wings, just in case her sense of humor is needed, either to spare one of the other Alicias embarrassment or to raise the mood in somber moments.

Slacker Alicia sometimes pops up when least expected and forces Responsible Alicia to back off or Bizarre Alicia to take it down a notch.

However, despite the vast differences in the styles and habits of each Alicia, they manage to peacefully coexist and share a body and a life.

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# Brother-in-law's murder inspires MSUM staff member to create novel

By CRYSTAL DEY  
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An unsolved murder has inspired one MSUM staff member to write a novel. Today (Thursday) Cynthia Herring Preston will conduct a reading of her novel, "Every Secret Thing," at 3 p.m. in the MSUM bookstore. After the reading, she will be available for book signings. Originally from Moorhead, Preston works in MSUM's academic affairs as the assistant for special projects to the vice president. Previously, she was registrar for Metropolitan State University in the Twin Cities. While at Metropolitan State University, she took leave from work to be more active in her children's lives and begin her novel. The novel takes place in present-day Minneapolis. Inspiration for the novel came from the murder of her brother-in-law in 2001, which remains unsolved.

Although the story is fiction, it is based on real people in fictional situations. "Every single character in the book is based on people, but the situations are different," Preston said. "You can take much greater liberties in writing fiction." Considering the content of the novel, an author can't be too revealing of sources so fiction is the best scenario. The storyline follows a former street gangster who goes back to the streets hoping to solve his brother's murder. Along the way, he meets a divorced suburban housewife with whom he forms a relationship, entwining two completely different worlds. Preston hopes to raise awareness of what consequences street life can have.

"This is a life that people are born into," Preston said. "It's not a life of success. Street hustling is a way of life for a lot of people: every morning you wake up and you're trying to figure out how much money you can make that day." Street life is more common than most people in communities like the Fargo-Moorhead area may think. It's hard for people to get regular jobs after experiencing street life. "Part of it, I think, is the appearance, the language barrier and there is still a big fear of black men in this country," Preston said. The same prejudices that push some into street life keep them from maintaining "normal" lives.

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**Cynthia Herring Preston**  
MSUM staff member and author



KATIE MYRMEL/THE ADVOCATE

Cynthia Herring Preston's book "Every Secret Thing" tells the tale of a gangster solving his brother's murder. Preston will give a reading today at 3 p.m. in the bookstore.

have originated within world governments. "In all the world systems, there is such corruption that it's not always fair to be a law-abiding citizen," Preston said. "So it's a little bit of a paradox of trying to figure out how to do right, but then within those systems make sure they aren't corrupted. Even churches are corrupt." "Every Secret Thing" is Preston's first novel. She has published poetry in "Red Weather" and participated in the creative writing program. Preston graduated from MSUM in 1983, majoring in English. She lives in Fargo with her husband and children. Between them, there are 11 children in the family. Preston says they are very open with their children and keep them educated on what goes on in the real world. The reading will last about 15 minutes. Books have been ordered and will be available for sale in the bookstore for \$13.95. With the proceeds from the novel, Preston plans to start a scholarship fund for young African-American men who want to further their education but do not meet typical scholarship requirements. The fund will be named after her brother-in-law.

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## 'GTA: Vice City' gives criminals another chance

Anyone who liked "Grand Theft Auto III," will certainly love the new "Grand Theft Auto: Vice City." There is too much information in the game to fit in a book, not to mention a review. "GTA 3" is a blockbuster game for the PlayStation 2 with more than 7 million copies sold. In the game you are a thug for hire, who is trying to become a big-time thug. Did I mention becoming a big time thug requires killing mob bosses, stealing cars and escorting hookers to the policemen's ball? In the new "GTA:VC," the premise is the same, only everything is on steroids. What makes the new game so much more intriguing is the story. The main character, Tommy Vercetti, just got out of a 15-year stint in the big

"Grand Theft Auto: Vice City"

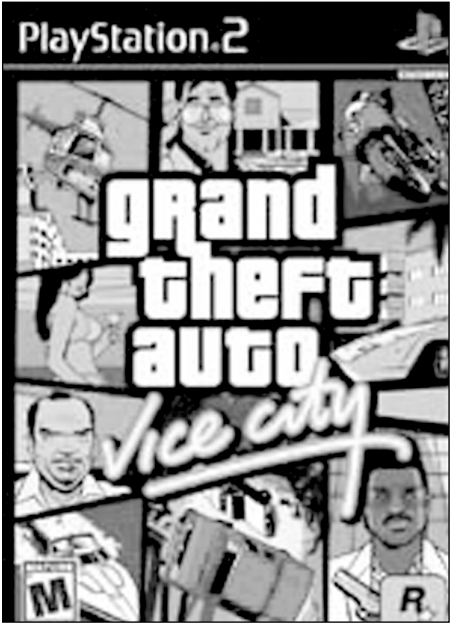
**DAVE WAGNER III**  
Video game critic

house and is sent down to Vice City to hang out for a while. While in Vice City, Vercetti takes part in a cocaine deal gone wrong, which starts the dominoes and throws the gamer into a plot full of twists and turns. Missions range from the familiar drug dealer assassinations to giving your girlfriend a ride to meet a famous rock group. Luckily, the majority of the missions deal with killing people or creating chaos. The characters in the game are more believable, and they pack gangster attitudes with celebrity voices. Vercetti is played by "Goodfellas" Ray Liotta, and there are voices from Dennis Hopper and Miss Cleo. The music in the game is like having a "Pure '80s" album. With nine different radio stations packed with artists like Quiet Riot, A Flock of Seagulls, Wang Chung, Judas Priest, Grandmaster Flash and Tesla to name a few, you will be tight rolling your jeans and taking out the hair spray before you know it. There is something blissful

about shooting the hell out of a bunch of cops, taking some cocaine back to your buyer, all while listening to Michael Jackson. Aside from the missions in the game, you may find yourself driving around Vice City just jamming out. There are also new cars, boats, motorcycles and helicopters, 120 vehicles to be exact, which is a jump from 50 in the old game. All of the old favorite cars like the Banshee and the Sentinel are back, but with a new '80s makeover. Another new feature is the ability to jump from your car or bike, which comes in handy when it is on fire and you want to ghost it into a crowd of donut-munchers. Who could forget about the guns? There are plenty of them and it doesn't take too long to acquire them either. There are brass knuckles,

tools (machetes, chainsaws), throwing weapons (grenades, Molotov cocktails), handguns, submachine guns, shotguns, assault rifles and heavy weapons (rocket launcher, flame thrower). You can only carry one type of each, though. It makes for difficult decisions sometimes, but not too often.

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# Catch them if you can

## Kory and the Fireflies light up Fargo-Moorhead

By **AMY DALRYMPLE**  
Editor

Sioux Falls, S.D., “feel-good rock” band Kory and the Fireflies are lighting up the stage at Playmakers Friday.

Led by front man Kory Van Sickle, the band gets frequent airplay on South Dakota and southwestern Minnesota radio stations.

Backup musicians — the Fireflies — get their name from their energetic and positive vibe.

“There is something magical and mysterious about fireflies,” Van Sickle said. “And in the Midwest, there’s something special about a night when they come buzzing around.”

Kory and the Fireflies are promoting their third album, “Everyone,” which follows their warmly received “Radiate.” They debuted in 1994 with “Sparks Fly.”

The lineup features guitarist Chris Beyer, bassist Jason Yost, a saxophonist, percussionists and keyboardist

Gary Widmann.

Raised in the Midwest, Van Sickle was inspired to devote himself to music after seeing Bono perform in Denver. A stint as a Levi’s model helped him get the recognition he needed to get studio time.

Van Sickle has made music his full-time job for four years. Previously, he worked as an advertising art director.

Kory and the Fireflies mainly tour around the region, but have also played with national acts including Neil Young, Sheryl Crow and 3 Doors Down.

Performing with Sugar Ray turned out to be especially memorable, Van Sickle said. On their way to the stage, Mark McGrath and the gang stopped by to introduce themselves and compliment Fireflies’ music.

Van Sickle said he doesn’t think being from the Midwest has hindered his career.

“I don’t believe making it in the music industry is easy anywhere in the world,” Van Sickle said.

When performing in New York City or London, Van Sickle said telling people he’s from South Dakota is a novelty. “People thought it was kind of neat,” he said.

To aspiring musicians, Van Sickle said, “If you really believe in what you’re doing and people are responding to it, you probably have something. “Just be tenacious about it,” he said.

Although he’s frequently on the road, Van Sickle said he has more time with his family than if he were in another profession. He and his wife have one child, London, named after the city where they got engaged.

Friday’s performance will feature about six songs from the new album, as well as old favorites, Van Sickle said.

The final track on “Everyone” is the only cover

song Kory and the Fireflies has recorded — “For What It’s Worth” originally by Buffalo Springfield.

“It’s become a staple of the show,” Van Sickle said.



“Everyone” by Kory and the Fireflies  
9 p.m.  
Friday  
Playmakers  
21 and up

The band is known for its upbeat lyrics, exemplified by the tune “Pop Fly” that preaches the importance of not “banging your head against the wall.”

Other favorites include “Sometimes” and “Virginia” from the band’s second album.

Kory and the Fireflies attracts a broad age group, but Van Sickle said the core audience

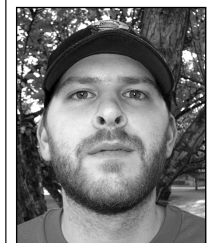
is between 18 and 30.

“We’ve been fortunate to have enough people that are really into the music,” Van Sickle said.

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# Har Mar Superstar rockets into pornstar, pop fame

Dedicated to those who know that he is the best, the taxpayers of Minnesota who freed him from his car loan and the youth in Asia, Har Mar Superstar brings his brand of touchy-feely grooving to the masses in “You Can Feel Me.”



MIKE MATTHEIS

Music critic

This, however, is not the average slow, soft touchy feely, but rather is sweaty, dirty, ass-clapping R&B bust outs.

Har Mar’s mission: to prove that more dry humping is a good thing. His modus operandi: smart, sassy tunes that cruise and a devastatingly wild

live show. With the looks of a young Ron Jeremy and a penchant for performing in Cherokee briefs, Har Mar Superstar has also presented an album that will blow up in your lap.

Some outside help is brought in to add flavor, but “You Can Feel Me” is still 90 percent the Har Mar show.

As a result, Har Mar relies on a somewhat minimalist musical approach, but the beats are nimble enough to keep the back shaking and enough samples and keyboard bits are present to provide the necessary grith.

Har Mar really shines as a vocalist and

lyricist, with a silky smooth voice that has a pretty generous range and a whole black book full of sordid tales involving business executives, female cops, the girl next door and backup singers, to name a few.

The rest of his time he devotes to dancing and general getting it on, making great use of a delivery somewhere between rapping and slightly-sung spoken word.

Har Mar’s sense of humor is very much in the realm of Dr. Octagon/Kool Keith, with whacked out, convoluted stories spiked with invented slang and off-kilter braggadocio.

Songs like “Power Lunch,” the title track, “H.A.R.M.A.R.” and “No Chorus” are some of the best examples of rampant Har Mar styling.

Performing live is where Har Mar really thrusts his persona into place. He is definitely the rare man who can turn the party out in a pair of assless chaps.

With the stage to himself, Har Mar presents a torrid show, augmenting his uncanny resemblance to the king of porn with strutting, grinding, sweating,



singing, and break-dancing, all while stripping down from some sort of Miami Vice-era gaudy leisure suit to a pair of bikini briefs, socks, and Velcro running shoes.

Truly mind-boggling and pulse-quickening, this kind of dervish has not been seen since the heyday of fellow St. Paul native Prince.

Being from St. Paul, Har Mar makes frequent stops in Fargo/Moorhead, so some people here are already privy to the unique pleasure he brings. Unfortunately, as he grows in national prominence, the amount of times that he comes to town will surely decrease.

If you find yourself unable to catch one of the greatest live shows around, you may substitute by popping in your favorite Ron Jeremy porno and playing this record.

Either way, Har Mar Superstar is most assuredly recommended for anyone with a sense of humor and booty to shake.

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Specifically, Hudson said she thinks martial arts have influenced and perhaps even prolonged her life.

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Despite her battle with cancer, Hudson said she feels wholly prepared for life because of martial arts.

"I believe that martial arts teach and prepare you for life in so many ways," she said. "Not only to be able to be physical and to defend yourself, but [a martial art] teaches you to live by a higher standard."

Yet, she isn't finished competing yet; on the contrary, she is still expanding her martial horizons.

"I am now taking judo and I start aikido next semester," she said.

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# E-folios reinvent job hunting

By KATIE JOHNSON

Staff Writer

Minnesota students and residents now have the unique opportunity to use the Web site [www.efolionm.com](http://www.efolionm.com). This site gives students, employers and job seekers hands-on experience at designing their own "e-folio" or electronic portfolio. Using links, pictures, audio and many other elements, the easy-to-use format makes online portfolios a fun alternative to boring resumes.

"There're a lot of advantages to this," said Wade Swenson, who uses the Web site in a new class. "A student can say to a potential employer - whether he or she is looking for a job or an internship - 'this is my paper resume, but if you want to see what I'm really all about, check out my Web site.' You can show activities; the pictures are wonderful. There is just a marvelous means for telling your story."

Designing an e-folio is easy, even to those who aren't computer savvy. First, a template

is designed. Then links are gradually added as experience and education are acquired. E-folios are never obsolete, as long as they are updated. Passwords can also be used - e-folios are private and secure.

"When Dr. Swenson came to

us with the idea for the e-folio class and showed us what we would be doing, it really got me thinking about myself and who I am," said junior Derek Plautz. "It helps a lot with

□ E-FOLIOS, back page

□ HENDRIX, from front

"There were a dozen minor comments. They will not give the permit out until those comments are responded to and there's no language to say they have to review [those changes] right away," Stugelmayer said. "You think about how many building permits they issue each year and the magnitude is large. It's a big responsibility."

Penny Klein, director of Hendrix, said the new timeline has the health center moving at the end of January.

"We'll just be happy to be moved. It's going to be a difficult time to move," Klein said. "Over the holiday break would have been a lot easier."

Klein said pushing back the date of moving day causes

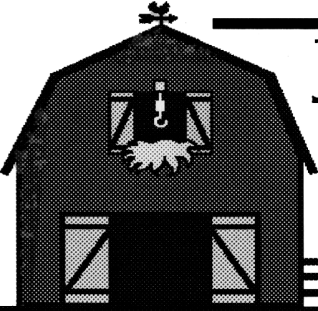
other problems for her employees as well.

"The staff still has health problems related to the building we're in," Klein said. "Every week that [moving day] goes beyond what we anticipated, it certainly creates stress."

Klein said it will be complicated to maintain service and accomplish the move at the same time.

"It's difficult to plan until they get a little further along on the building," Klein said. "We just hope they get that roof on before the big snows come. Once the roof is on, then we're home free."

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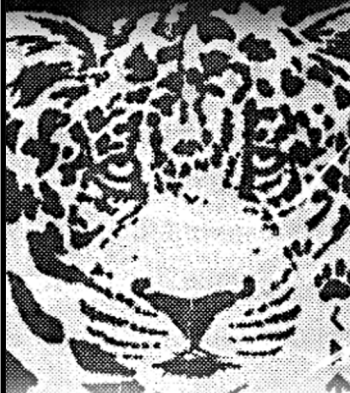
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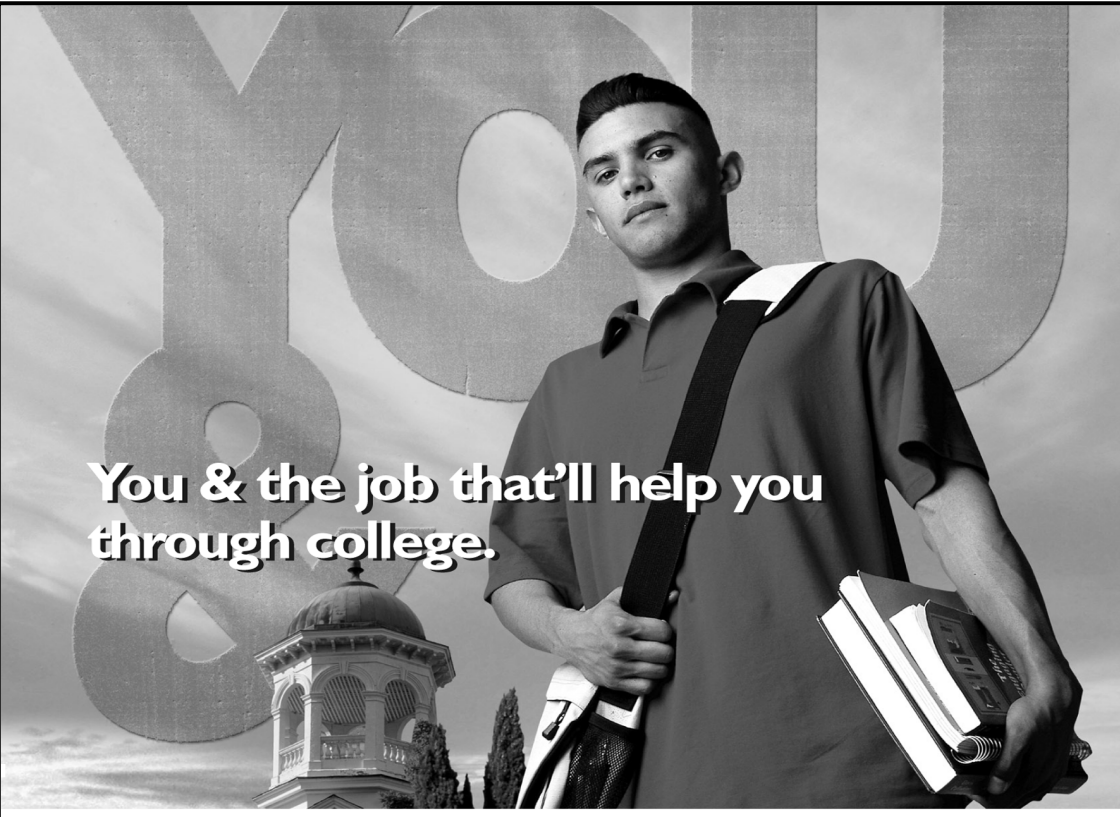
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## NEWS &amp; NOTES



M. Nagel



Weinzierl

Former MSUM wrestler **Travis Nagel**, a two-time Division II all-American, would probably have trouble pushing around his younger brother, **Matt Nagel**. After redshirting his first season at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Matt lost his first match of the season at 184 pounds to **Jessman Smith** of the University of Iowa, Iowa City, who's ranked No. 2 in the nation. Smith breezed past Nagel 19-5.

MSUM alumna **Amy Weinzierl**, a member of the 2000-01 volleyball team that claimed an NSIC championship with a 28-4 overall record, is head volleyball coach at Central Cass High School, Casselton, N.D. An assistant in 2001-02, Weinzierl has led the Squirrels to a 40-1 record, including 31 victories in a row.

MSUM senior defender **Megan Sawarynski** and freshman goal-keeper **Tammi Radder** were named first-team, all-NSIC for women's soccer.

Junior **Ryan Kopiasz** placed first at 184 pounds in the prestigious Bison wrestling Open last Saturday. Kopiasz pinned **Matt Hermann** of NDSU in 6 minutes, 36 seconds. Sophomore **Tony Soderberg** was runnerup at 174 and junior **Desmond Radunz** was second at 125.

Five MSUM football players received NSIC honors Tuesday. Senior tackle **Jon Holzer**, senior guard **Ross Montgomery** and senior running back **Shane Carter** were named to the all-NSIC second team. Junior guard **Cory Becker** and senior quarterback **Brad Duerr** received all-NSIC honorable mention.

Notes by Joe Whetham/  
sports editor

## SPEAKING



**I'm going to miss every one of them.**

**Ralph Micheli**, MSUM head football coach, on the 11 Dragon seniors that played in their final game Saturday.

## Front and center



JASON PROCHNOW/THE ADVOCATE

Junior center **Eric Prchal** puts up a shot in the Dragons' home game against the XBA Rookie Stars on Nov. 9. The Dragons open the 2002-03 season with a game against Northern Michigan, Marquette, at 6 p.m. Friday in the US Bank Classic at NDSU.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

## Title aspirations

Core of returners sparks talk of conference crown, 20-win tour for Dragons

By JOE WHETHAM

Sports Editor

Mediocrity. For seven years, it continued with no sign of stopping.

Last season, it stopped dead in its tracks.

Thanks to a fiery coach, a Division I transfer and a team makeover in 2001-02, the men's basketball team threw the proverbial monkey off its back by posting a 17-10 overall record — the program's first winning season since 1995-96.



Engen

**Stu Engen**, hired in late June after the departure of Mike Olson, is the 12th MSUM men's basketball coach in the program's 66-year history.

And with 10 of 17 players returning, including all five starters, newly hired head coach Stu Engen has little time or leniency for trial and error in 2002-03.

"It's different from the standpoint when you're building a program," said Minneapolis native Engen, who coached at the University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse for two years, becoming the 12th

MSUM men's basketball coach in late June. "When you start from scratch, it's a lot easier to make decisions because there's not a lot you can do wrong. It's easier to make cutthroat decisions because you're on the ground floor trying to build your way up.

"Where it's different now, in midstream, I realize that every choice or decision I make could drastically affect this ball club."

Former head coach Mike Olson had the luxury of starting from scratch, and from 1999-2002, he amassed a 36-45 record before accepting an assistant men's basketball coaching position at Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H.

In Olson's first two seasons as head coach, the Dragons were 19-34 overall, and in 2000-01, they failed to solidify an all-NSIC selection, which hadn't happened since the 1952-53 season.

Now, a year removed from a fifth-place, regular-season finish in the NSIC, Engen begins his first campaign with a preseason ranking of fourth behind the University of Minnesota-Duluth, Bemidji



PETE MONTECUOLLO/PHOTO EDITOR

Senior forward **Marlon Samuel**, a projected starter, dunks during practice Tuesday.

(Minn.) State University and Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D.

In his two years at Wisconsin-Lacrosse, Engen, who similar to Olson stepped into a fleeting program, produced a 17-9 record in 2001-02, a nearly polar opposite to his 2000-01 campaign, where the team finished 11-13.

"At UW-Lacrosse, we had just gotten

things started," Engen said. "I left just after the second year. I was named coach of the year in the conference and we had the most wins in the league in a long time, but we didn't win a conference championship."

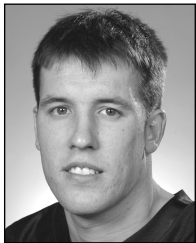
Joining Engen is assistant Ryan Looney,

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## PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP

## KYLE STALOCH

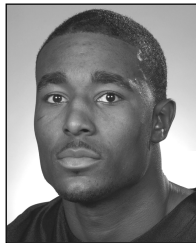
6-4 | senior guard



Staloch, an all-NSIC honorable selection last year, will again pace the Dragons' offense at point guard. Staloch averaged 11.2 points and 5.9 rebounds (eighth in NSIC) per game. He also led the Dragons in minutes played per game (32.7) and assists per game (4.26 — third in NSIC). A versatile, all-around player, look for Staloch to be one of the stronger point guards in the NSIC this season.

## JARED BLEDSOE

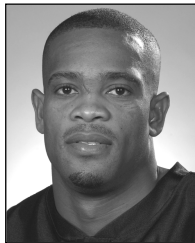
6-2 | senior guard



Bledsoe gained immediate attention as a potent scorer with a 29-point performance against nationally-ranked Western Washington last season. Voted first-team, all-NSIC in 2001-02, Bledsoe averaged 14.9 points per game (seventh in NSIC) and shot 81 percent from the free-throw line. With creativity, quickness and the ability to breakdown defenders one-on-one, look for Bledsoe to have the ball late in the game.

## MARLON SAMUEL

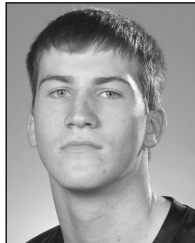
6-5 | senior forward



If Samuel performs like he did against the XBA Rookie Stars on Nov. 9, he shouldn't have problems averaging close to a double-double every game. Against the Rookie Stars, Samuel was the Dragons' best two-way player. He averaged 6 points per game last season and was tied for second on the team in total rebounds with 115. Look for Samuel to be a rebounding force this season.

## JAKE KRUSE

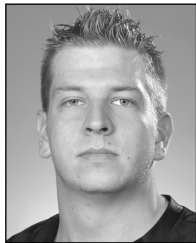
6-7 | senior forward



Despite not starting on a regular basis in 2001-02, Kruse played a pivotal role off the bench, averaging 6.7 points per game. "Flat-out our best offensive low-block player," head coach Stu Engen said. Kruse led the Dragons with a 60.7 field-goal percentage last season, going 68-for-112, and was tied for second on the team in total rebounds with 115. Look for Kruse to be an aggressive scorer underneath this season.

## ERIC PRCHAL

6-8 | junior center

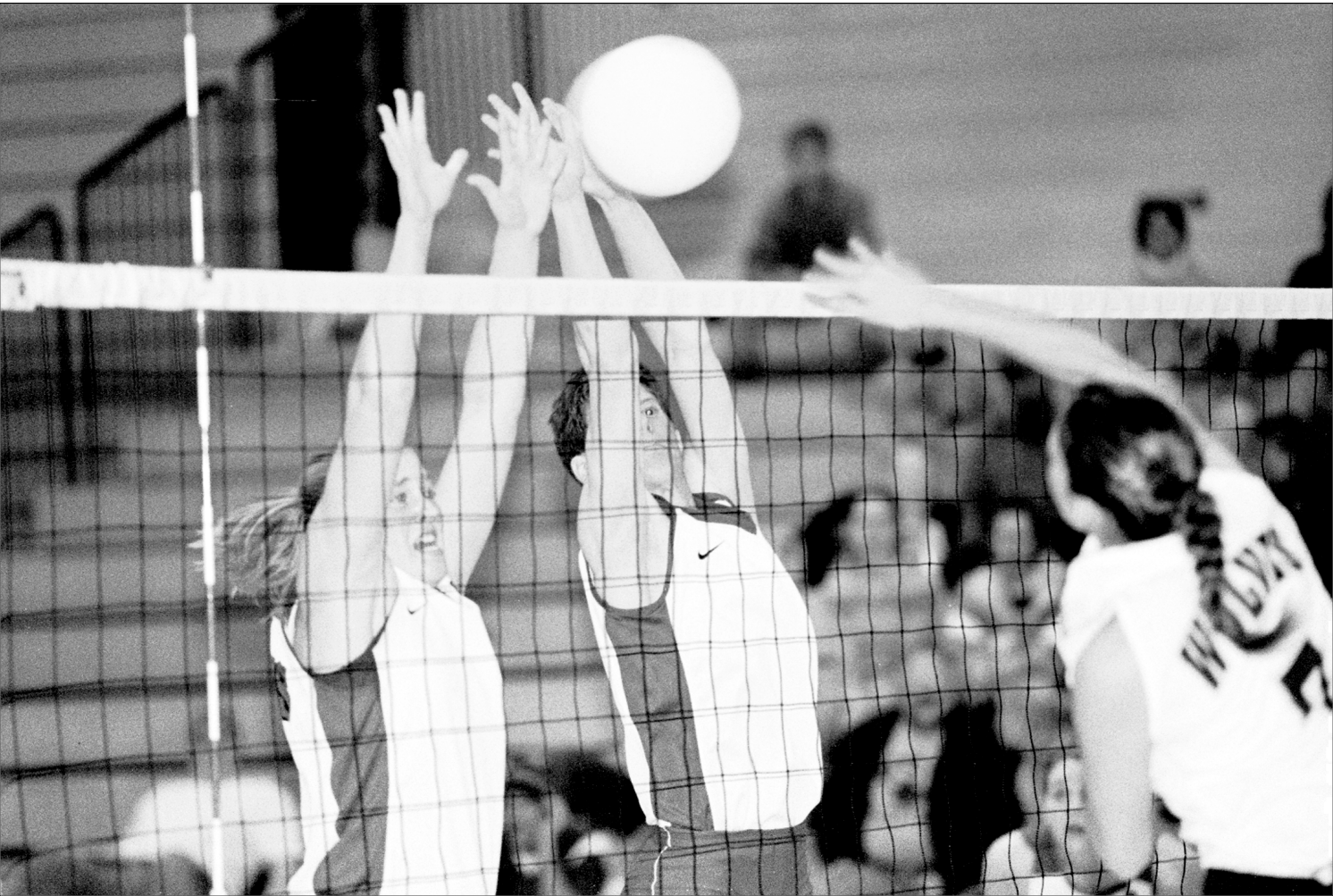


Prchal started in 25 of 27 games last season, averaging 5.1 points per contest. He scored 14 points against Concordia-St. Paul on Jan. 11. With the ability to step outside and hit shots, Prchal — dubbed a "great communicator and passer" by Engen — should create lane space for slashing runs from Bledsoe, Staloch and Samuel. Look for Prchal to be a scoring threat in the paint and around the perimeter this season.



VOLLEYBALL — SEASON FINALE

# Season's curtain drawn



PETE MONTECUOLLO/PHOTO EDITOR

Junior middle hitters Courtney Syvertson, left, and Val Wolf block an attempted kill from a Northern State player in the Dragons' 3-0 loss to the Wolves last Saturday. Syvertson had a team-high 19 kills against the University of Minnesota, Morris on Friday.

## Syvertson, Freer pace Dragons in season-finale split at home

By DUSTIN MONKE

Staff Writer

The MSUM volleyball team closed out its season with a weekend doubleheader. They finished with a split as they beat the University of Minnesota, Morris Cougars 3-1 (30-16, 27-30, 30-17, 30-17) on Friday but were swept by the Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D. 3-0 (16-30, 28-30, 24-30) on Saturday.

In the victory over the Cougars, junior

middle hitter Courtney Syvertson and junior outside hitter Melinda Freer led the Dragons with 19 kills each. Syvertson also dominated the net with a game-high three blocks. Sophomore setter Susan Kolbow led the Dragons in assists with 47.

The Dragons were able to torch the Cougars in games one, three and four, but were nabbed in a close game two.

The victory was the Dragons' second straight. MSUM could not keep their momentum going Saturday night, however, as they were swept by the Wolves.

Though the Dragons were defeated in their final outing of the season, they were

able to keep up the intensity most of the game.

"Our plan was just to come out and have fun," Syvertson said. "We had nothing to lose in this game, we came out aggressive, playing like we should have been playing."

The Dragons were also hoping to play as long as possible. "Toward the end I was thinking 'please catch up to them, I want to play one more game,'" said senior defensive specialist Rebecca Serbus about her final game as a Dragon. "We played really well, we were playing a lot of

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### GAME NOTES

A late fourth-quarter touchdown sealed a Dragon victory, as MSUM finished the season at 5-5. Senior running back **Shane Carter**, playing against his former university, rushed for 168 yards and a TD, and senior quarterback **Brad Duerr** threw three TD passes.

## Dragon ground attack potent in season-ending victory over NSU

By HAYDEN GOETHE

Staff Writer

For 11 Dragon seniors, last Saturday's game was their swan song. In the 2002 season finale, the Dragons defeated Northern State University 49-35 before 890 people at Swisher Field in Aberdeen, S.D.

MSUM (5-5, 4-5 NSIC) finished the season without a losing record for the first time since 1999.

The Dragons displayed good control in the game. At no point was MSUM losing, despite surrendering 300 yards passing to Wolves' quarterback Jake Parten.

The Dragons did their damage on the ground, recording 473 yards rushing. Senior quarterback Brad Duerr led all rushers with 177 yards and a touchdown to go with his 122 yards and three touchdowns passing.

Senior running back Shane Carter, playing against his former university of three years, led all running backs with 168 yards on the ground, 12 of which came on a touchdown scamper early in the second quarter.

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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

# Grounds for optimism

## Doerr, Klukas highlight strong returning class

By HAYDEN GOETHE

Staff Writer

Coming off of its first ever NSIC Final Four appearance, the women's basketball team enters the 2002-03 season with something they haven't experienced on campus for some time — high expectations.

"We're definitely approaching the season with great optimism," MSUM women's basketball coach Karla Nelson said.

The team is coming off of a strong 2001-02 campaign in which the Dragons were 15-13, 10-8 in the NSIC.



K. Doerr

The team is returning four starters, and the only player who graduated from last year's team was backup guard Blair Hample, who played in only eight games.

The frontcourt for the Dragons has been their cornerstone during the last few seasons. Senior Katie Doerr and junior Liz Klukas anchor a unit that finished first in Division II in rebounding margin two years ago, and 10th in Division II in the same category last year.

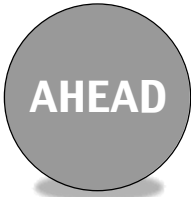
Katie Doerr, the lone captain of this year's team, is highly regarded as one of the top post players in the NSIC. She's been a fixture on the team the last three seasons, and this year shouldn't be any different. "Katie is in the top 10 post players

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Head coach Karla Nelson, kneeling in back, watches two of her players perform a drill in a recent practice. The Dragons open the 2002-03 season against Florida Tech on Friday in Melbourne, Fla.

KATIE MYRMEL/  
THE ADVOCATE



### WRESTLING

The Dragons have three matches in a five-day period, beginning with Augsburg College, Minneapolis, which has won three consecutive Division III national titles, at 7 p.m. Friday at home.

### SWIMMING

The swim and dive team travels to Brookings, S.D., for a meet against the University of Nebraska-Kearney at 6 p.m. Friday.

### MEN'S HOOPS

Men's basketball battles Chadron (Neb.) State College at 6 p.m. Friday in the NDSU Tip-Off Tournament.

### WOMEN'S HOOPS

The Dragons travel to Gatorland for a game against the Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne at 7 p.m.



■ MEN’S HOOPS, from 12

who spent last year as an assistant coach at North Idaho College, Coeur d’Alene. From 1999 to 2000, Looney was an assistant under head coach Charlie Gross at Wisconsin-Lacrosse, before Engen grabbed the reigns in 2000.

“Ryan’s not just here because he worked with me,” Engen said. “During the time we’ve spent together, I was extremely impressed, not only with his knowledge of the game, but Ryan is very organized and intent on things. He knows his job and he knows it inside and out.”

Transitional impact

Olson’s impact on the Dragons was indisputable, but his departure hasn’t left the program in dire straits. Senior guard Jared Bledsoe, who describes Engen as a “player’s coach,” said the transition between coaches and systems has been fluid.

“I think coach Engen has made it real easy,” Bledsoe said, adding the team’s ability to mesh last season has led to a better understanding of what each player’s role is. “It’s been such a smooth transition. The system is designed for players and playmakers.”

Engen said he’s working on finding a balance between what gave the Dragons success last year and what methods and styles he’s had success with.

“... I think we need to find a balance between what’s worked in the past and what are some of my ideas and my philosophies,” Engen said.

Senior Marlon Samuel, who’s projected to start at small forward, said the transition hasn’t been a distraction.

“The transition hasn’t been as much of a bad deal,” Samuel said. “[Engen] has nothing but the team’s success at mind and at heart. He’s a great guy.”

Season outlook

“Obviously, with the number of return-



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**Head coach Stu Engen talks strategy in the Dragons’ home game against the XBA Rookie Stars on Nov. 9. The Dragons lost the game by 1-point, which proved to be the XBA Rookie’s only victory in an exhibition tour against Division II teams.**

ers, we’d like to compete for this thing,” said Engen of winning the NSIC title. “But there’s some good teams out there and there are a lot of teams that have done an outstanding job recruiting, so we know that’s quite a goal.

“This team, they won 17 games last year and had a great year, the first successful year in a long time. But they were still fifth in the conference.”

Last season, after sprinting to an 11-3 record, which included a 97-94 overtime victory against No. 4 Western Washington, Bellingham, a fifth-place NSIC finish would’ve been a modest prediction. But an ensuing 2-5 road record resulted in a steady descent down the conference standings, and that’s something Engen said he’s focused on improving.



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“I’d like to be a better road team. That’s one of my immediate goals,” Engen said. “To me, if you look at championship teams in any leagues, they’re the ones who win on the road. Obviously we all want to play well in front of our peers, students, faculty, family and everything else. But our upperclassmen allow us to have the maturity to have a little better success on the road.”

Fitness, or lack thereof, was a contributing factor to the team’s road failures late last season, Samuel said, adding that Engen has placed a greater emphasis on condition.

“His approach, what he has emphasized, is improving our physical fitness,” Samuel said. “He has placed a lot more emphasis, physically, so that hopefully we finish strong.”

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■ WOMEN’S HOOPS, from 13

in the conference,” Nelson said. “She runs the floor better than most post players. She has a knack for the ball. Katie does a lot of good things for us.”

Doerr and Klukas each averaged more than 12 points and eight rebounds per game last season.

Junior post Erin Richgels will also provide some help down low this season.

The backcourt is still young, but now has more experience.

“We’ve lacked a lot of backcourt leadership,” Nelson said. “We still have a very youthful team.”

Katie Doerr’s sister, sophomore Jackie Doerr, and sophomore Becky Schons lead the backcourt. Joining the typical starting trio of guards will likely be newcomer Lindsay Hartmann, a sophomore transfer from Southwest State University, Marshall, Minn.

Hartmann played in 13 games last season for the Mustangs as a freshman, one of those being the Dragons’ final game in the NSIC Final Four.

Southwest State beat the Dragons 84-57.

A vacancy opened in the

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We’re definitely approaching the season with great optimism.

**Karla Nelson**

Head women’s basketball coach

backcourt this season, due to the misfortunes of last season’s leading scorer and co-captain Kris Wilson.

Wilson suffered a serious ankle injury during her sophomore season, and the condition has not improved during the last couple of years.

She’s still considered part of the team, but Wilson will not play this season.

The Dragons’ non-conference schedule is brutal, providing the team with a big test.

“Our preseason, non-conference schedule is tenacious,” Nelson said. “The competition is much tougher [than in years past].”

Among the opponents on the schedule are two Elite Eight teams from a year ago. South Dakota State

University, Brookings and Florida Tech, Melbourne, each had outstanding seasons last year and they headline a group that also includes NDSU and Missouri Western, Saint Joseph, a school ranked first in Division II late last season.

The Dragons’ season will open up in Melbourne with Florida Tech on Friday, and then face Flagler College, St. Augustine, Fla., on Saturday.

Florida Tech is an athletic squad, which plays a lot of pressure defense. They should prove to be a big challenge for the Dragons.

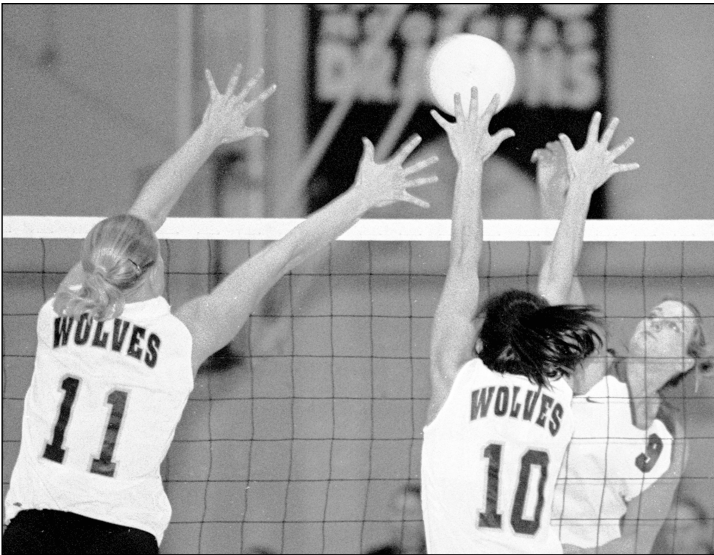
“Expect a very up-tempo game,” Nelson said. “I hope we can match them on the boards.”

Nelson said the winner of that game will be the team that displays better rebounding and ball control.

According to Nelson, Flagler is not as athletic, but still a team not to be taken lightly.

The first three weeks of the season should prove a strong indicator as to how the Dragons will fare in the NSIC this season.

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**Junior outside hitter Melinda Freer (9) attempts to kill the ball over two Northern State defenders in last Saturday’s game.**

■ VOLLEYBALL, from 13

catch up though. We’d always be the team four points down at the end.”

The lone senior finished off her four-year career as a Dragon with six digs in the match.

Syverson, who transferred from North Dakota State College of Science, Wahpeton, finished off her first season as a Dragon with a team-high 10 kills, four digs and a two blocks.

“We wanted to push it into

five and make it as exciting as possible,” Syverson said.

Freer tallied nine kills and added nine digs and Kolbow had 29 assists in the season finale.

Serbus sent her praises out for the team next season.

“I wish them the best of luck next year and hopefully they’ll be contending for a conference championship.”

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■ FOOTBALL, from 13

“We had a very excellent game running the ball,” Dragons head coach Ralph Micheli said. “It helped us control the game.”

Sophomore running back Cody Wang rushed for two touchdowns and senior Jeff Zupke and junior Jake Sternhagen also contributed to the running attack.

Among other offensive highlights, junior wide receiver Chad Davison had 87 yards receiving

and two touchdowns, putting his season total at eight, just two short of the single-season school record.

Senior linebacker Corey Hoppe’s 10 tackles and junior Brandon Messer’s two sacks paced the defense.

Freshman defensive back Casey Kannel picked off his team-leading fourth interception of the season.

Other seniors who played their

final collegiate game Saturday include: offensive tackles Jon Holzer and Larry McCulley, offensive guard Ross Montgomery, noseguard Dave Sustercich, defensive tackle Joel McCue, linebacker Vincent Williams and defensive back Bjarne Rustad.

Duerr leads a number of seniors who will be in the Dragon record books now that their careers are over.

Duerr will be second all-time in total offense with 5,093 career yards, just behind quarterback Bob Jones’ (1989-1991) 5,628 yards.

Micheli said he’s happy with all of his graduating seniors.

He added he was especially proud of the fact all of them are on track to graduate after four years on campus, and he has no worries about the players adjusting after graduation.

With the season done, Dragon football will go into remission until early April, when spring practice begins.

Micheli noted that it would not be the same, though, without the current group of seniors that’s graduated.

“I’m going to miss every one of them,” Micheli said.

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## PEPP organizes sleep-out

By BRITTA TRYGSTAD

Staff Writer

On any given night, approximately 102 men, 41 women and 57 kids are homeless in the Fargo-Moorhead area, according to a Wilder Foundation Survey.

However, according to Duke Schempp, local director of People Escaping Poverty Project (PEPP), these numbers are conservative.

"There is a whole bunch of other people who might be living on someone's couch, or in a vehicle," Schempp said.

Tonight, in conjunction with National Homeless Awareness Week, MSUM students, among other members of the community, have the opportunity to

get a taste of what life without a home may be like. A Sleep-Out will be taking place in front of the CMU between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Friday.

All students are welcome to participate. They are encouraged to wear warm clothes and bring blankets.

Among the activities planned is an open forum, which will be held at 8 p.m. in the lobby of the CMU. During the Sleep-out, three movies, "Shelter Boy," "Rewind," and "Faces of Homelessness" will be shown.

The purpose of National Homeless Awareness Week is to inform students and the community of the problem of homelessness.

"[Homelessness] impacts all of us," Schempp said.

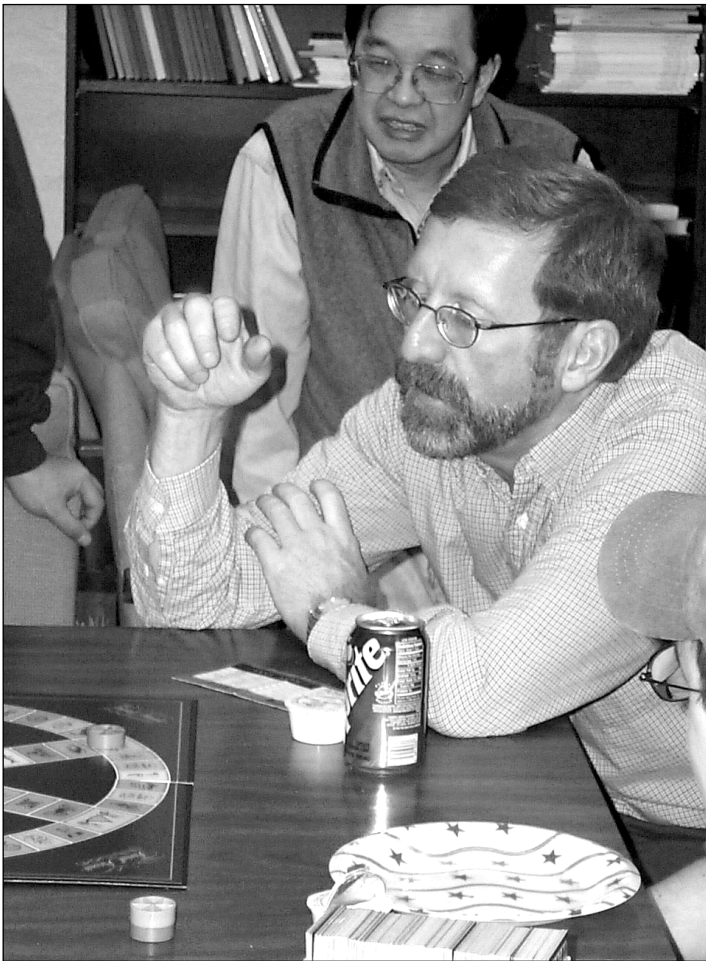
"Ultimately, we need to deal in our society with poverty and homelessness. This helps bring attention to it"

In Moorhead, MSUM, Concordia and Moorhead High School will participate in various activities this week. Concordia had a similar sleep-out Wednesday.

If students would like to become further involved with this issue, Schempp suggests volunteering their time to homeless shelters.

Students can also try to change some of the policies that affect the homeless, including Moorhead's housing problem, by attending City Council meetings.

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## In pursuit of history

History professors Paul Harris (front) and Henry Chan challenge history students in a game of Trivial Pursuit Tuesday.

### □ E-FOLIOS, from 11

scholarships because I am comfortable knowing what I have done."

Plautz and junior Dustin Fabre are just a few of the guinea pigs in Swenson's e-folio class.

While attending a Society of Manufacturing Engineers convention, they learned employ-

ers were looking more for participation in organizations and community than grades.

They found the e-folio was an excellent way to display activities they have done while in school. Swenson and his students have been advocates for the Web site, encouraging everyone to give it a try.

"An employer can look at your resume and not get a feel for who you are exactly," Fabre said, "but with this, they almost feel like they actually know you. In interviews, it is easy to strike up a conversation."

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### □ IRAQ, from front

allow individuals to voice views.

Moore outlined some of the reasons why the Bush administration would want to invade Iraq including the pessimistic feelings of the administration toward Saddam Hussein's willingness to cooperate with the United States and NATO's demands in the past, saying there has been "a decade of U.N. demands with a decade of U.N. defiance."

Moore backed up some of her arguments with additional commentary taken from Kenneth Pollock, saying that Hussein is "highly unpredictable" and therefore it is unknown if he will refrain from using weapons of mass destruction. Moore also said it's "far better to deal with Saddam before he acquires weapons than after he already

has them."

The Bush administration considers Iraq to be "an imminent threat," and "arms and economic sanctions are not enough."

Mouch took the podium after Moore to oppose the invasion.

"Whatever you think about Bush or his motives are irrelevant. War can't be the default position. We have to start with diplomacy and go from there," Mouch said.

Mouch discussed whether or not a preemptive strike can be justified at the present time, as well as if there is any reason to think Saddam will acquire or use weapons of mass destruction. Mouch also addressed the risks of leaving Saddam alone and whether these risks are worth war.

"If we can't predict his behav-

ior, we can't use his past behavior to predict what he'll do," said Mouch.

He also said if Saddam is indeed a rational person, he wouldn't use weapons of mass destruction because "he knows the consequences" that would arise.

Mouch also argued that, even with the events of Sept. 11, an invasion of Iraq could not be justified because "no firm evidence has been forthcoming of ties to terrorists."

"We need more to actually go to war here," Mouch said. "We would be negligent if we let the government decide for us. We have a right to demand evidence."

With that, the floor was opened for discussion and questions from the public. MSUM political science profes-

sor Andrew Conteh said, "I find these things because as an attorney, it is my job to find these things." He then pointed out that according to the constitution, treaties are the supreme law of the land.

"Therefore, any agreements conflicting with the constitution ... are null and void," Conteh said.

He said, "Iraq is the responsibility of the U.N. Security Council."

A few questions were brought up about Iraqi deaths in an invasion. Mouch commented, "I do not feel that Iraqi deaths are more acceptable than American deaths. It's not popular, but I think it's right, and that is what I am concerned with."

"The discussion was excellent. I think both sides had good arguments. We need more

things like this. I would like to try to get a message board going where students could post their comments on issues," said Karl Savig, an MSUM student in attendance.

"Terrorism isn't new, it's been happening for years. Terrorism is not organized governments," he said.

MSUM student Nathan Coverstone said, "We need to make sure that the United States is safe... we go where the fear is, and if fear is the motivation in the situation, then so be it."

"We're Americans. Our obligation, first and foremost, is to ourselves, whether that be economic or militarily. To view otherwise is absurdity."

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### □ FOOD, from 4

Steven Pletta, general manager of MSUM's food service, oversees Chef Lilja and a full-time kitchen staff of 45 along with a hundred part-time student helpers. Last year he conducted a retail survey on campus to help him understand what his customers-students, faculty and staff-want to eat. The top preferences: salads, soups and home-style foods.

"I guess comfort foods make sense on a college campus," he said. "Students are away from home and they're looking for foods that make them feel safe and happy."

Pletta, a 15-year veteran of food service management, discovered quickly that his patrons will seek out soup wherever he puts it. "In this business, location is everything. Customers don't want their choices difficult. The closer the door, the better."

"Soup I can move anywhere in the dining room," he said. "I can hide it in the worst location and they'll still find it."

MSUM's dining service is administered by Sodexho, the

leading food and facilities management services company in the United States and Canada.

Taking over food management at MSUM three years ago, Sodexho quickly instituted its platform dining and micro-branding systems.

Platform dining involves self-contained stations within the dining room where food is made right in front of the student with fresh ingredients.

"We prepare and plate each meal individually," Pletta said. "It's exhibition cooking, and each station is equipped to deliver a variety of themed foods. It's like eating at a restaurant or food court."

MSUM's food service has a variety of rotating platforms. They include grilled foods; omelets; classic meat, potatoes and casseroles; Italian; Mexican; vegetarian; and stir fry."

The Sodexho concept of micro-branding focuses on developing in-house cuisines, from international specialties and sandwich wraps to deli foods. "It allows us to be more

fluid and creative when dealing with student tastes," Pletta said. "Unlike major franchise foods, which are relatively constant, we can change our menu overnight, weekly or from semester to semester."

Which brings us back to soup and mashed potatoes. While soup is served at every lunch and dinner as a side dish, twice a week the food service puts out a soup platform with four different soups served with a variety of fresh homemade breads.

"They're very successful," Lilja said. "More than half of our customers go to the soup bar first."

He's also experimented with a mashed potato bar, serving five kinds of mashed potatoes with a variety of gravy flavors.

"I would have predicted that pizza would be the number one food on campus," said Gary Nickell, chair of the university's psychology department. "I was intrigued by the chef's comments, so I took a brief look at the published research on food preferences.

## Minnesota Wild Rice Soup

- Chicken broth 1 1/4 Quart + 1/2 cup
- Cream sauce (see below)\*
- Raw wild rice 1/3 cup
- diced celery 1/3 cup
- diced carrots 1/3 cup
- diced yellow onions 1/3 cup
- diced mushrooms 1/3 cup
- fresh minced garlic 1/8 teaspoon
- ground white pepper dash (to taste)
- diced cooked chicken 1 cup
- Hot Half & Half 1/4 cup + 3 tablespoons
- Sliced almonds (toasted) 1 1/4 ounces

- 1) In a large soup kettle combine chicken broth and rice. Bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 45 minutes.
- 2) Add celery, carrots, onions, mushrooms, garlic and white pepper. Simmer gently until vegetables are tender.
- 3) Stir in cream sauce. Cook, stirring frequently, until soup thickens.
- 4) Stir in hot Half & Half and ham or chicken. Simmer, don't boil.
- 5) Serve and top each portion with a few slices of almonds.

(Makes 2 1/4 quarts of soup, or 12 six ounce ladles)

\* Cream sauce:  
Butter 1/4 cup plus 1 Tablespoon  
All-purpose flour 1/4 cup  
Ground white pepper dash or 1/8 teaspoon

- 1) Melt Butter. Add flour. Cook for at least 5 minutes, stirring while cooking. (Note: it is important to completely cook mixture so butter can absorb all the flour. If not completely cooked, sauce will separate when used.)
- 2) Add white pepper. Stir 2 to 3 times while cooking, then cool. Store in refrigerator until ready to use.

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I found only 18 studies since 1942. None of them helps explain this mashed potato effect. My guess: comfort

foods remind students of home."

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